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DES ANNOUNCES TRAINING PROGRAM FOR OLDER PERSONS

(PHOENIX – December 28, 2000) The Department of Economic Security announced today the establishment of a training and job placement program for older persons to prepare them for employment. The Project Craft Skill program provides training in the pre-apprenticeship construction trades and is also a job placement program for mature workers. The project is sponsored by the Senior Community Service Employment Programs of the DES Aging and Adult Administration and the National Indian Council on Aging.

The 13- week course will start on January 8, 2001 and training will be offered at the Opportunities Industrialization Center at 39 E. Jackson in Phoenix, Arizona. Participants must be 55 years old or older and meet income eligibility requirements. They will receive pay while training and also assistance with job development and placement after completing the course. Training will be provided by the HomeBuilders Institute, which is the education and training arm of the National Association of HomeBuilders. The goal of the program is to prepare older workers for employment in the residential Construction and building maintenance occupations in Maricopa County.

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